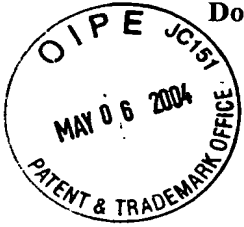


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the Official Action mailed on November 4, 2003, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows.

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